HOUSE BILL 946

By Lollar

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-1-203, relative to scrap jewelry and metal dealers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 38-1-203(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (4):

(4) As a pilot project, in any county having a population in excess of eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, the right thumbprint of the seller; provided, that if taking the right thumbprint is not possible the purchaser shall take a fingerprint from the left thumb or another finger and shall identify on the log which finger has been used. A thumb or fingerprint taken pursuant to this subdivision (a)(4) shall be clear and complete and contain no smears or smudges. A thumb or fingerprint taken pursuant to this subdivision (a)(4) shall be maintained by the purchaser for a period of five (5) years from the date of the transaction.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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